

The Board of Supervisors of Maricopa County, Arizona convened in Informal Session at 9:00 a.m., May 2, 2005 in the Supervisors' Conference Room, 301 W. Jefferson, Phoenix, Arizona, with the following members present: Max W. Wilson, Chairman, District 4; Don Stapley, Vice Chairman, District 2, Fulton Brock, District 1; Andrew Kunasek, District 3, and Mary Rose Wilcox, District 5. Also present: Fran McCarroll, Clerk of the Board; Juanita Garza, Minutes Coordinator; David Smith, County Manager; and Paul Golab, Deputy County Attorney. Votes of the Members will be recorded as follows: (aye-no-absent-abstain).

MARICOPA WORK FORCE CONNECTION BOARD

Presentation regarding the roles and responsibilities of the Maricopa Workforce Connections Board. (C2205154M00) (ADM2512)

Marion Kelly, Chairman of the Maricopa Workforce Connections Board
Trish Georgeff, Deputy Director Human Services
Susan Schmidt, Assistant Director for Workforce Development
Jody Ryan, Maricopa Workforce Connection Board Liaison

Marion Kelly, Chairman of the Maricopa Workforce Connections (MWC), introduced himself and gave a presentation of the work being done by this group. Mr. Kelly explained that the organization currently oversees 17 Workforce Investment Act programs in Maricopa County and has 40 board members that represent both the private and public sectors in the valley.

The funds the County receives for this program come from the Department of Labor's Workforce Investment Act (WIA) and it serves businesses, youth, adults, and older workers. WIA's primary focus is the business community in Maricopa County. In order to meet the needs of the business community MWC offers several training opportunities and business resources such as, training assistance, pre-screening services, as well as job fairs. A business resource center in Gilbert will open in the fall to help meet any additional needs of the community. WIA has other programs that are offered through five career centers throughout Maricopa County, for anyone in the community seeking new career opportunities. There are two comprehensive career development centers and three satellite centers. The demand for these services has grown; an estimated 90,000 people have visited the centers since July 1, 2004.

Mr. Kelly felt it was important to present a chart that highlights a snapshot of the education levels of clients enrolled in the comprehensive services. The chart represented the change in client demographics with the majority holding a high school diploma, and a recent report showed 69 clients enrolled in these services have a Ph.D.

Maricopa Workforce Connection also focuses on helping the youth of Maricopa County. Las Artes De Maricopa County is a program that targets youth between the ages of 16 to 21 that are at risk of dropping out or have dropped out of school. This program helps these youth prepare to pass or obtain their GED through a curriculum that allows them to create art projects. Mr. Kelley thanked Supervisor Wilcox, for helping make this program possible for the youth.

Mr. Kelley emphasized that the overall mission of WIA is to create strategic partnerships, among both private and public sector stakeholders to ensure a successful, seamless and comprehensive workforce system in Maricopa County.

Mr. Kelley announced that his two year term as Chair will come to an end in June, and he introduced Richmond Vincent, the newly elected, incoming Chair of MWC. He closed his presentation with a briefing on the future goals of MWC that include: to build a stronger Board, focusing on high growth initiatives and becoming a more prominent presence in the community. He followed by presenting each of the

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Supervisors with a ceramic plate. Each plate was individually designed by the youth in the Las Artes program.

Chairman Wilson thanked Mr. Kelley for the presentation and asked how many individuals have been placed in the workforce. Susan Schmidt, Assistant Director of the Workforce Development, replied that approximately 82% of the individuals engaged in these centers have been placed into significant employment.

Supervisor Wilcox also thanked Mr. Kelley for his years of service and inquired about the level of business participation in MWC. Mr. Kelley replied that the outlook is positive, but there is a need for more marketing and a need for change from a government program to a business program to meet the needs of both small and large businesses.

Supervisor Kunasek asked if MWC works with county employees in transitioning from one job to another, Mr. Kelley replied, "Yes. There is no real income criterion for services; everyone that comes through the door will receive services."

Mr. Kelley introduced the rest of the MWC staff: Jody Ryan, Maricopa Workforce Connection Board Liaison, Susan Schmidt, Assistant Director of Workforce Development, and Trish Georgeff, Deputy Director of Human Services.

Supervisor Stapley said he was impressed with the two satellite facilities and asked what the process would be if someone without a job walked into one of these facilities. Mr. Kelley replied that there is an assessment process, and then the program is individually tailored to meet each individuals needs.

Supervisor Brock thanked the staff and asked what other states have been successful in the Workforce Connections transitioning from a government program to a business program. Mr. Kelley replied that he attended a Workforce development workshop in San Diego and learned that their Workforce had a partnership with other businesses, even though they were funded by the government their financial arrangements come through a 501(C)(3) business-driven system. In return, this system directs the money that goes into the Workforce development and has proven to be successful across the country.

Supervisor Brock asked if MWC is at the same level with other communities, in terms of funding. Mr. Kelley replied, "Yes, when we look at per capita of the county and the needs of the county. It's not a flat amount, it depends on the demographics."

Chairman Wilson thanked Mr. Kelly and the rest of the staff for the informative presentation.

EXECUTIVE SESSION CALLED

Motion was made by Supervisor Stapley, seconded by Supervisor Brock, and unanimously carried (5-0) to recess to Executive Session to consider items listed on the Executive Agenda dated, May 2, 2005 as follows:

LEGAL ADVICE; PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION; SETTLEMENT DISCUSSIONS CONDUCTED IN ORDER TO AVOID OR RESOLVE LITIGATION – ARS §38-431.03(A)(3) and (A)(4)

Legal Advice and Discussions regarding issues associated with claim filed by former MIHS CEO.

David Smith, County Manager
Tom Manos, Chief Financial Officer
Peter Crowley, Maricopa County Risk Manager

Patrick Spencer, Risk Management
Elizabeth Yaquinto, Deputy County Attorney
Mary Cronin, Deputy County Attorney
Chris Barbee, PricewaterhouseCoopers
Bryan Moser, PricewaterhouseCoopers
David Burg, PricewaterhouseCoopers

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Legal advice regarding Public Health Grant Funding Issues

Sandi Wilson, Deputy County Manager
Richard Matens, Consultant with Ralph Anderson
Elizabeth Yaquinto, Deputy County Attorney
Mary Cronin, Deputy County Attorney
Chris Barbee, PricewaterhouseCoopers
Bryan Moser, PricewaterhouseCoopers
David Burg, PricewaterhouseCoopers

SETTLEMENT DISCUSSIONS CONDUCTED IN ORDER TO AVOID OR RESOLVE LITIGATION – ARS §38-431.03(A)(4)

Rigby v. M.C.; Sunrise and West End v. M.C.

David Schweikert, Maricopa County Treasurer
William Riske, Deputy County Attorney
John Paulsen, Deputy County Attorney
Kevin Costello, Deputy County Attorney

PURCHASE, SALE OR LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY – ARS §38-431.03(A)(7)

Dunivant Park Property

William Riske, Deputy County Attorney
Kevin Costello, Deputy County Attorney
Tom Manos, Chief Financial Officer
William Scalzo, Director Parks and Recreation
Dennis Lindsey, Real Estate Manager

Southwest Valley Chamber of Commerce

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LEGAL ADVICE; PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION -- ARS §38-431.03(A)(3) AND (A)(4)

Compromise Cases – Barbara Caldwell , Outside Counsel

David E. Bowyer	Jessica Villa
Keri Heermann	Jose Villa
Angelica Quintanilla	

Write-Off Cases – Barbara Caldwell , Outside Counsel

Melissa Weisbrod

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PERSONNEL MATTERS -- PROMOTION, DEMOTION, SALARY, ETC. -- ARS §38-431.03(A)(1)

Salary for the Chief Deputy Sheriff

LeeAnn Bohn, Total Compensation

MEETING ADJOURNED

Following discussion on the above items, the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

Max W. Wilson, Chairman of the Board

Fran McCarroll, Clerk of the Board